Subject No. 80.
Rule about spending 7o per cent of annual Municipal income.

Summary of discussion.—It is ruled that, at the end of every year, the actual balance at the credit of a Municipality should not exceed 30 per cent of the income. This procedure should be put a stop to and an order issued that when balances in hand have largely or sufficiently accumulated, they should be spent on useful works of a permanent kind as occasions arise. The rule as it stands is only an inducement to spend money badly.

Dewan's reply.—The object of Government in enacting such a rule is that money should not be hoarded unnecessarily and that the local communities should have prompt returns for the taxes paid by them. But this does not prevent Municipal Boards saving money for large works of permanent utility. An explanatory order shall be issued.

Subject No. 81.
Mudgere Town water supply.

Summary of discussion.—Mudgere being a rising town, the 3 wells now in existence do not supply sufficient water to the residents of the town and outsiders who frequent it. It is feared that the additional 2 wells newly sanctioned this year will still be insufficient. Hence it is requested that drinking water may be supplied to the town from the Basavankanave, a survey of which was once taken by the then Executive Engineer.

Dewan's reply.—The necessary number of wells will be supplied. But as was pointed out last year (see Subject 9 of the Proceedings) the water that may be conveyed to the town in a channel from a malarious source is not likely to be wholesome.

Subject No. 82.
Deputy Amildar for Kalasa.

Summary of discussion.—A Deputy Amildar is required at Kalasa. The villages here are too far from the Taluk Headquarters (Mudgere) to be convenient for the numerous land owners in these parts. There is also the important temple at Kalasa to be looked after.

Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioner does not recommend, and the Government are not prepared to sanction the employment of a Deputy Amildar at Kalasa.

Subject No. 83.
Rest houses for travellers in the Malnad.

Summary of discussion.—Chattrams and Musafarkhanas are few and far between in the Malnad tracts. More should be constructed with separate accommodation for caste and no-caste travellers.

Dewan's reply.—Yes as far as possible.

Subject No. 84.
Sub-Judge's Court required for Chikmagalur.

Summary of discussion.—Great inconvenience is felt by parties in having to go to Shimoga to institute suits above Rs.1,000 in value. Sub-Judge's Court should therefore be established at Chikmagalur.

Dewan's reply.—The subject has more than once before been brought forward (see para 65 of the Proceedings of 1886

and para 14 of the Proceedings of 1887.) But no good case has been made out for establishing a Sub-Judge's Court at Chikmagalur. The number of suits above Rs. 1,000 in value is so small that there will not be sufficient work for a Sub-Judge. But to raise the Munsiff's jurisdiction and also empower him to dispose of applications for heirship certificates would be the more suitable course. The Chief Court will be consulted and the subject will be considered by Government.

Subject No. 85.
Encouragement to education of Muhammadans, Gumbaz Funds.

Summary of discussion.—As Muhammadan boys are backward in education, they should be encouraged by Government by being given some scholarships to the number of at least ten per Taluk. If necessary some of these scholarships may be given out of the Seringapatam Gumbaz Charity Fund.

Dewan's reply.—There is no doubt that some special consideration is due to the case of Muhammdan boys and Government will give this consideration and do what may be reasonable in the circumstances. As to the Gumbaz Funds, the proposals for utilizing a portion of the income for Muhammadan education made by Mr. Abdul Rahman while he was in charge has not found universal favor. Government will be glad to see its way to devote some portion of the Gumbaz funds for the education of Muhammadan boys.

Subject No. 86.
Direct road required from Birur to Sakrepatna via Yemme Doddakaval.

Summary of discussion.—Now there is no road from Sakrepatna direct to Birur. The present road runs through Kadur. A shorter and direct road is required.

Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioner does not recommend it on the ground that it would be useful only to the small local community.

Subject No. 87.
Encouragement to raiyats growing Sandalwood.

Summary of discussion.—Government will be benefited if it be ruled to the effect that one-fourth of the sandalwood produced will be given to those raiyats who undertake to grow sandal trees on their khate lands and deliver the wood to Government when mature.

Dewan's reply.—This was urged once before and the idea was vetoed. (*Vide* Subject No. 114 of the Proceedings of last year.) Let private individuals if they choose make sandalwood plantations and Government will be glad to buy them from the planters.

Subject No. 88.
Unirrigable lands classed as wet at Survey Settlement.

Summary of discussion.—As wet assessment has been charged during the Survey Settlement on certain dry lands, such lands have become waste. If they be assessed with dry rates, there will be an income of about Rs. 1,000 to Government every year. Such cases exist in the Indavar village for example.

Dewan's reply.—Bring individual cases by petition to the notice of the Deputy Commissioner and he will do the needful.